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IN THE CLAIMS:

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This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

LISTING OF CLAIMS:

- 1 1. (currently amended) An optical switch, comprising:
  - 2 a first optical combiner for combining at least two optical pump signals to produce a combined pump signal, and a second optical combiner for combining an input data signal with the combined pump signal to produce a combined signal;
  - 5 a non-linear optical element for imparting a ~~third-order~~ non-linear effect on the
  - 6 combined signal; and
  - 7 at least one optical splitter for separating the combined signal from said non-linear
  - 8 optical element into respective generated optical bands;
  - 9 wherein at least one of said at least two optical pump signals is controllably
  - 10 modulated such that a logic sequence of said input data signal is controllably switched.
  
- 1 2. (original) The optical switch of claim 1, further comprising at least two optical pump sources, each of said sources providing one of said at least two optical pump signals, wherein at least one of said at least two optical pump sources is adapted to controllably modulate its respective optical signal such that a logic sequence of said input data signal is controllably switched and an output signal of said optical switch comprises a multi-band switched optical signal.
  
- 1 3. (original) The optical switch of claim 1, wherein the frequency of said input data signal is substantially equal to the average of the frequencies of said at least two optical pump sources.

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